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PATENT: Mail Stop AF  
Customer No. 22,852  
Attorney Docket No. 09877.0189

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

In re Application of: )  
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Giacomo Stefano Roba *et al.* ) Group Art Unit: 1791  
)  
Application No.: 09/986,622 ) Examiner: John M. Hoffman  
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Filed: November 9, 2001 )  
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For: METHOD AND INDUCTION ) Confirmation No.: 5933  
FURNACE FOR DRAWING )  
LARGE DIAMETER PREFORMS )  
TO OPTICAL FIBRES )

Mail Stop AF  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**NOTICE OF APPEAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 41.31**

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals from the decision of the  
Examiner mailed August 15, 2008.

The items checked below are appropriate:

1. ☐ A Petition for Extension of Time to extend the period for response accompanies this Notice of Appeal.
2. ☒ The Appeal Fee of \$540.00 (or \$270.00 if by small entity)  
☒ is enclosed or ☐ is to be charged to Deposit Account No. 06-0916
3. ☒ A check for \$540.00 to cover the above fees is enclosed.
4. ☐ A pre-appeal-brief conference is requested. The request and supporting documentation are attached.

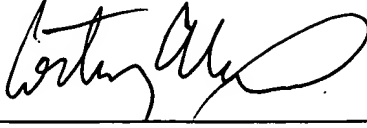
Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge  
any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

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Respectfully submitted,

Dated: November 14, 2008

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